

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER FORTY-ONE

- WHEREAS, the criminal justice system in Iowa and the rest of the nation is the framework which helps to protect people while also ensuring basic individual rights; and
- WHEREAS, one of the primary needs of criminal justice agencies and planners is for reliable data upon which to base criminal justice system operation; and
- WHEREAS, Iowa State Government has had an important leadership role in the development and analysis of criminal justice data relating both to state and local criminal justice agency operation; and
- WHEREAS, a Statistical Analysis Center can be formally established by Executive Order in order to permit continued financial assistance from the federal Bureau of Justice Statistics:
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Ray, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby establish the Statistical Analysis Center, and further direct that it be placed in the Office for Planning and Programming. The Office for Planning and Programming ...as no direct operational responsibilities in the criminal justice system and yet can ensure the Center's direct access to state and local criminal justice system representatives and information.

RESPONSIBILITIES

I further authorize the center to develop and analyze reliable data relevant to crime and operation of the criminal justice system in Iowa, for the purpose of improving decision-making and maximizing efficiency of the state's criminal justice system.

Specific responsibilities of the Statistical Analysis Center shall be the following:

- 1. Statistical analysis of data pertaining to:
 - a. crime and victimization levels and trends.
 - b. offender screening and case processing.
 - c. sentencing and paroling practices, including the development and monitoring of sentencing and parole guidelines.
 - d. criminal recidivism.
 - e. public opinions relating to crime and criminal justice.
- The collection of data pertaining to the above, if data do not exist or are obsolete and staff resources permit.

- The provision of statistical and analytical services to the state and local agencies from available information.
- 4. The provision of technical assistance to state and local agencies concerning the collection, analysis, and dissemination of criminal justice statistics.
- 5. The development and analysis of management data pertaining to criminal justice system operation, including comparative information on:
 - a. salaries and personnel benefits
 - b. manpower
 - c. departmental policies
 - d. opinions of criminal justice system representatives.
- Coordination and promotion of the development and improvement of computerized and manual information systems pertaining to criminal justice system operation.
- 7. The development of applications for federal funds provided for state statistical analysis of criminal justice data, and otherwise providing liaison with federal criminal justice research and statistics programs.
- Providing liaison to Statistical Analysis Centers in other states.
- Providing a clearinghouse function for criminal justice data in Iowa.
- 10. The publishing of reports on the above topics.

IN FURTHERINCE WHEREOF, I direct the offices and employees of Iowa State Government to cooperate fully with the Statistical Analysis Center and its representatives in providing Iowans with the best possible statistical and analytical services pertaining to crime and criminal justice in Iowa.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this <u>21st</u> day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty-one.

GOVERNOR